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I believe I am an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled **GENERATION OF PLANTS WITH IMPROVED DROUGHT TOLERANCE**, the specification of which

- ☒ was described and claimed in PCT International Application No. PCT/US04/20323, filed on June 23, 2004, and as amended under PCT Article 19 on _____ (if applicable).

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

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Application No.	Filing Date
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